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MEMORANDUM FOR DEPUTY SECRETARY GILPATRIC

From: Maj. Gen. Lansdale *SL*
Subject: Bolivia

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An interesting correction has been made to my 3 June "Visit to Bolivia" report to you. Although the correction was in a personal letter from John H. Stutesman, Charge d'Affaires ad interim, U.S. Embassy, La Paz, it is worth passing along to members of the Special Group (CI), to give credit where it is justly due:

"There was one comment in your report to the Secretary which I should amplify a bit. This was your reference to the fiery signs on the slopes above La Paz when Cooper went overhead. You used this as an example of campesino friendliness for the USA. In fact it was the imagination and initiative of our Public Affairs Officer, Don Torrey, which led to this effect. It cost USIS \$80 to get the flames going on the hillside and I hope that you will agree that, while the action was not the local spirit you described, it nonetheless is a good example of a quiet but effective maneuver by a U.S. Government official here.

"The kids who brought the flowers from the model airplane club were, however, motivated by an entirely spontaneous spirit."

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MEMO FOR

John McCone

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Mr Siepatic suggested
that I send this to
members of the Special
Group (c1), for information.

Ed Housdale